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### **ASSOCIATE JUSTICE JAMES E. DUFFY JR. AWARDED \$1,500 SCHOLARSHIP**

The State Justice Institute (SJI) awarded Associate Justice James E. Duffy, Jr. of the Hawai'i Supreme Court a \$1,500 scholarship to attend the Appellate Judges Seminar for new Federal and State court appellate judges. The Institute of Judicial Administration at New York University School of Law and The Federal Judicial Center sponsored the workshop that was held on July 11 - 16 at NYU.

The curriculum covered opinion writing, statutory interpretation, state constitution law, criminal law, oral argument, processes of appellate decision making, issues in judicial accountability and independence, ethical judging, and the craft of judging.

SJI is a non-profit organization established by Federal law to award grants to improve the quality of justice in State courts nationwide, facilitate better coordination between State and Federal courts, and foster innovative, efficient solutions to common problems faced by all courts.

For more information about the Institute, log onto the SJI website at <http://www.state.justice.org>.

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